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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08702.0093-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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WOLFMAN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1647
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Application No.: 10/689,677) Examiner: Lockard, Jon M.
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Filed: October 22, 2003)
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For: ACTRIIB FUSION)
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THEREFOR)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to an Office Action dated January 4, 2006, requiring restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of the pending claims, Applicants submit amendments to the claims and provisionally elect the claims of Group I with traverse. The period for response to the pending Office Action is extended to March 6, 2006 (March 4, 2006 being a Saturday) by a request for extension of one-month and payment filed concurrently with this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.